of the Committee and the President may nominate a chairman for the said Committee.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—I second it.

Question proposed:—*That Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar, the Law Member, be named a member of the Committee.*

Question put and agreed to.

President.—I nominate the present Government Advocate as the Chairman of the committee.

Point of Order *re*: motion for the appointment of Chairmen to Select Committees.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—On a point of order, Sir, whether it is necessary to bring in a fresh motion for such appointments.

President.—There is the present motion to appoint a Member in the place of one who has resigned.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—If it is the Chairman of the Select Committee?

President.—Ordinarily the Chairman of the committee might report to the Diwan the name of any Member of the Select Committee who resigns, or neglects to attend the sitting. But here the President himself has resigned. There is no one to report to the Diwan.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—A similar case has come in my Bill. The President of the Select Committee of my Bill, the Thiyya Bill, is the Law Member. I wish to know whether a fresh motion is necessary.

President.—Yes. I think so. In this particular case it is necessary. It does not appear to be covered by the Rules. The Rules require that when a Member ceases to be a Member of the committee the chairman shall report it to the Diwan and then a fresh Member is nominated. In this case it is the chairman himself who resigns. The committee cannot report to the Diwan nor can he.

Mr. M. K. Raman.—When the Government Advocate tenders his resignation, it also implies that he resigns his membership and the Chairmanship in the Committee and so Government can nominate another President even without a motion like this. And there is also no provision in the Rules for such a motion. When the chairman of the Select Committee resigns, the Government can nominate another Chairman. In fact, the member sends a report that he has resigned his place. Then the Diwan will nominate another chairman even without a motion like this.

President.—The Diwan does not nominate the chairman but it is the President. It is the Council which nominates the member. The Diwan nominates only on the request of the chairman of the Committee. In this particular case there is no

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Mr. V. Achyuta Menon.—I had tabled a resolution recommending amendments to the Election Rules so as to afford facilities to Government servants and other persons engaged at the Polling Stations for the exercise of their franchise. That was rightly disallowed by the President. May I know whether the Government is considering the recommendation or suggestion made in the resolution? I shall read a circular of the Madras Government in the matter.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I could not follow the Member at all.

Mr. V. Achyuta Menon.—As the Election Rules stand at present, Government servants and other persons engaged at Polling Stations have no facilities for the exercise of their franchise. For, an officer who has a right to vote at Irinjalakkuda may be engaged at a Polling Station at Ernakulam. Does the Government propose to amend the Rules?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The Member refers to the Legislative Council Election Rules.

Mr. T. K. Krishna Menon.—I think that is a point on which the Member can address the Government.

Demands for Supplementary Grants (*cont.*)

(9) XV—Law and Justice—Rs. 648 (*cont.*)

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar.—I beg to move for an additional grant of Rs. 648 under XV—Law and Justice, being the pay of the staff to be given to the second Additional Judge attached to the Anjikaimal District Court. When I moved the grant the other day, a doubt was expressed as to whether the additional staff that was given to the Additional Judge at Trichur was really disbanded or not and several questions were put as to whether they were really disbanded or not. I am now in a position to say that they were not disbanded. But all the same there was no provision at all in the budget. I am not now requesting this House to vote this amount as pay for the period they were there. My present request for allotment is only for the pay to be given to those officers from the 16th of Vrischigam So this matter has nothing to do with what has already expired. If I had moved for the pay of an anterior period, of course the question may be relevant. But now I am moving only for the pay of the staff that will be working from the 16th of Vrischigam for 6 months for which period the Additional Court may work.

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar.—May I know whether it is a fact that those officers have been paid without any provision made in the budget?

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